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**Before an entry denotes that the item is part of the FCC's implementation of the 1996 Telecom Act. While we will attempt to flag all Telecom Act-related items, this marking is unofficial and informational only.

SUNSHINE NOTICE

The FCC will hold an open meeting on November 19, 1998, at 9:30 a.m., room 856, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: November 12, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG. Public Reference Log: 11/10/98. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Public_Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt111098.pdf

Released: November 12, 1998. US WEST, INC. FILES REVISIONS TO ITS COST ALLOCATION MANUAL ASD FILE NO. 98-95. Comments Due: November 25, 1998; Reply Comments Due: December 1, 1998. (DA No. 98-2305). Contact: Ed Dashkin at (202) 418-0806; TTY: (202) 418-0484.

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COXCOM, INC. Granted complaint filed against the March 1, 1998 rate increase for cable programming services tier in Roanoke, VA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2290). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982290.wp>

TCI CABLEVISION OF WESTERN MICHIGAN. Denied complaint filed against the June 1, 1998 rate increase for cable programming services in Grand Rapids, MI. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2286). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982286.wp>

SUBURBAN CABLE TV COMPANY, INC. Denied complaint filed against the April 1, 1998 rate increase for cable programming services tier in Ridley, PA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2292). CSB Internet URL:

<https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982292.wp>

TCI CABLEVISION OF GREATER MICHIGAN, INC. Denied complaint filed against the June 1, 1998 rate increase for cable programming services tier in Petoskey, MI. Action by Chief, Financial Analysis and

Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 6, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2285). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982285.wp>

TCI CABLEVISION OF WESTERN MICHIGAN. Denied complaints filed against the June 1, 1998 rate increase for cable programming service tier in Grandville, East Grand Rapids, Gaines Twp., Walker, Alpine Twp., Ada Twp., and Cascade Twp., MI. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 9, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2299). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982299.wp>

ADDENDA: The following items, released November 10, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 217:

NEWS RELEASES

FCC ORDERS MCI TO STOP CHARGING "NON-SUBSCRIBER" RATES FOR DIRECT-DIALED CALLS; PRACTICE DEEMED "INHERENTLY CONFUSING" TO CONSUMERS. The Commission today ordered MCI to stop charging its "non-subscribers" rates for direct-dialed long distance calls. Consumers affected by this practice are those who remain presubscribed to MCI -- that is, consumers whose calls are handled by MCI when they dial "1" plus an area code and local telephone number -- after their accounts are removed from MCI's billing system. Noting that customers who are presubscribed to MCI may reasonably consider themselves "subscribers," the Commission concluded that the practice of charging these customers non-subscriber rates is inherently confusing and, therefore, unreasonable. Report No: CC-98-42. by MO&O. Action by: the Commission. Adopted: November 10, 1998. (FCC No. 98-297) News Media Contact: Rochelle Cohen (202) 418-0253. CCB Contact: Common Carrier Bureau: Deena Shelter at (202) 418-0960. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/News_Releases/1998/nrcc8083.wp

FCC FIELD STAFF PROVIDES TRAINING TO USTTI STUDENTS. The FCC announced today it has begun another two-week tuition-free training course for telecommunications officials from developing countries. Report No: CIB-98-22. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. CIB Contact: Compliance and Information Bureau contact: Charles Magin at (301) 725-3474. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Compliance/News_Releases/1998/nrci8026.wp

PUBLIC NOTICES

Report No: AUC-98-21. Released: November 10, 1998. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU POSTPONES DECEMBER 15, 1998 AUCTION DATE FOR 528 MULTILATERATION LOCATION AND MONITORING SERVICE LICENSES. Commencement of the Auction Postponed to February 23, 1999 (Auction 21). (DA No. 98-2246). Contact: Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau: Kenneth Burnley at (202) 418-0660; Operations: Kathryn Garland at (717) 338-2801 or Bob Reagle at (202) 418-0660. News Media Contact: Meribeth McCarrick (202) 418-0654. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public_Notices/1998/da982246.wp

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HALPRIN, TEMPLE, GOODMAN/FREEDOM TECHNOLOGIES VS. MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION. The Commission resolved two formal complaints brought by complainants Halprin, Temple, Goodman & Sugrue (Halprin) and Freedom Technologies, Inc., that challenge the lawfulness and application of the "Non-Subscriber" rates contained in MCI's Tariff F.C.C. No. 1. Concluded that (1) the Tariff's description of when customers will be charged MCI's Non-Subscriber rates is not "clear and explicit," in violation of Part 61.2 of the Commission's rules; and (2) MCI's practice of charging Non-Subscriber rates for "direct-dialed" calls is unreasonable, in violation of section 201(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Action by the Commission. Adopted: November 10, 1998. by MO&O. (FCC No. 98-297). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Orders/1998/fcc98297.wp

SAH ACQUISITION CORPORATION II. Granted must-carry complaint filed by WOAC against Adelphia Cable Communications. Action by Acting Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Adopted: November 10, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-2301). CSB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982301.wp>

ADDENDA: The following items, released November 9, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 216:

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IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT OF PART 95 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES TO ESTABLISH A VERY SHORT DISTANCE TWO-WAY VOICE RADIO SERVICE. Denied Petition for Reconsideration and Petition for Stay submitted by the Personal Radio Steering Group, Inc. and the Petition for Partial Reconsideration submitted by Michael C. Trahos. Granted Request for Clarification filed by Motorola. Dkt No.: WT-95-102. Action by the FCC. Adopted: October 30, 1998. by MO&O. (FCC No. 98-293). WTB Internet URL: <https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Orders/1998/fcc98293.wp>